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## Death Of Old H.K. Resident

His many European and Chinese friends will be shocked to learn of the sudden death of Mr. Samuel Green which occurred at 7 a.m. yesterday at his home, 12 Observatory Road.

The late Mr. Green was born in Swatow 66 years ago, and was educated at the Thomas Hambury School, Shanghai. After working for some years in the Chinese Post Office, Mr. Green came to Hong Kong in 1906 to join his brother-in-law, the late Mr. George Bunker, in the West River shipping business, later transferring to Bunker & Co.

From 1926 to 1941, he was connected with the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotel's Ltd., first with the Tourist Department, then the Catering, then the Peninsula Hotel (Stores), and then with the Hong Kong Hotel Garage at Stubbs Road.

On his return from leave after his release from internment, Mr. Green joined the Union Trading Co. Ltd., and was with that firm until his death.

A very keen tennis player, he was for many years Kowloon Cricket Club champion. He was the Colony Champion in 1915, 1916 and 1917. He was also a "Life Member" of the Kowloon Cricket Club and an energetic supporter of St. Andrew's Church.

The very large attendance at his funeral at the Colony Cemetery yesterday afternoon (conducted by the Rev. J.H. Ogilvie, O.B.E., M.A.), and the numerous floral tributes sent attested to the popularity of the deceased.

Mr. Green is survived by his widow, his son and daughter-in-law (Mr. and Mrs. D. Green), and three grand children.

## Artist Jailed On Perversion Charges

Atlanta, June 15. French artist Paul Refoule was today jailed on perversion charges. Lie-detection expert C.J. Galtz said he believed Refoule lied when quizzed about his wife's murder.

Refoule was booked on a sodomy charge after allegedly confessing to participation in sexual orgies, giving a month-old murder mystery a lurid turn that shocked Atlanta's fashionable set.

Galtz said the indicator needle on the lie detection machine trembled noticeably when Refoule was asked about wife Peggy's strangulation during a lengthy grilling. He said the needle should stand still when questions are answered truthfully.—United Press.

## The General Has The Right Viewpoint

Pasadena, Cal., June 14. In a dry river bed north of here, California Institute of Technology scientists are erecting a laboratory that may be the cradle of dreaded "push-button," faster-than-sound, guided missile warfare.

Actually the laboratory is a new \$3,000,000 supersonic wind tunnel at the jet propulsion laboratory in Arroyo Seco. There the effects of airflow around objects "travelling" at supersonic speeds will be studied.

Dr. Lee A. Du Bridge, president of California Tech, said the new project is merely "extending basic research into the supersonic realm."

Major Gen. Everett Hughes, head of the U.S. Army Ordnance Bureau, went farther, saying that the army intends to study results in a new wind tunnel before planning "a programme of guided-missile warfare."

Allen Puckett, 27-year-old designer of the new supersonic tunnel, estimated that 100,000 cubic feet of air per minute would be pumped through a "narrow venturi passage to produce 3,000 miles per hour speeds, three times the speed of sound."

# SINKIANG INCIDENT ENDS?

## Frontier War Over, Militarily Speaking

## No Replies Yet To China's Protests

Nanking, June 15. After four days and four nights of fighting in Sinkiang, the Outer Mongolian cavalry forces attacking Peitashan withdrew on June 8, according to a Central News dispatch received here today. This indicates that the North-West frontier incident has come to an end militarily.

The Central News report that after the initial bombing of Peitashan, radio communication with the town was impossible. The full report, received from the military officers who were despatched to the scene of conflict, reached Tihwa, the provincial capital, only yesterday.

According to this report, one Outer Mongolian battalion began attacking Peitashan at noon, June 5. Air cover was supplied by five planes bearing the Soviet insignia. Instead of four planes as originally reported.

Government resistance was directed by General Ma Si-chen, commander of a company of the Seventh Cavalry Brigade. The Mongolians were said to outnumber the Chinese garrison by three to one.

During the next four days and nights of fighting, Peitashan changed hands several times, but the Mongolians were forced to withdraw on June 8.

## FORCES OF REACTION

Prague, June 15. The General Council of the World Federation of Trade Unions recorded a belief in its closing session here that "forces of reaction are on the offensive throughout the world."

It named Greece, China, Brazil and Persia as countries where there had been "reactionary advances".

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## Peitashan Held

Central News says that Peitashan is now indisputably held by Government troops, who are keeping themselves in readiness to meet any further attacks. Though the report from Tihwa is not definite on the point, it indicates that from the military point of view the Peitashan incident has come to an end, at least temporarily.

The Chinese forces claim 30 Outer Mongolians killed, including one officer. Equipment captured included one artillery piece, three light machineguns, more than 10 rifles, one radio and several documents and maps.

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## LISBON PURGE

Lisbon, June 15. The Portuguese announced today that secret files had been found disclosing a revolutionary conspiracy, and that 13 army and navy officers and 14 university professors would be purged as a result. The communists, it is said, intended after a Cabinet meeting, to use the secret files to disclose names of persons connected with the conspiracy and the Government said it is determined to eliminate "professional revolutionaries" from the military and civil services. Associated Press.

## Congress Adopts June 3 Plan

New Delhi, June 15. The All-India Congress Committee today adopted by a vote of 153 to 29 a resolution approving Viceroy Lord Mountbatten's June 3 plan for the independence of India.

Before the voting, Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali, wife of the Indian Ambassador to the United States, made a fervent appeal opposing the division of India. Mrs. Asaf Ali urged the Congress Party high command for giving up the revolutionary methods and for compromising with the British, with the result that the country would be divided.

Her speech brought Congress Party leader Pandit Nehru to the floor and for one hour he traced the history of developments, emphasizing that the June 3 plan was evolved from consultations with the committee.

Sardar Patel followed Nehru and urged Socialists and Communists not to worry about the division of the country but to keep united within Hindustan and to contribute to making India strong and great and the people prosperous. The Opposition vote included Socialists, Forward Blocists

## Palestine Committee Now In Lydda

Jerusalem, June 14. Justice Emil Sandstrom, Chairman of the United Nations Palestine Committee, and three other delegates arrived at Lydda this afternoon by air.

The other delegates were Entezam Nazroli (Persia), Justice van Rand (Canada) and Professor Fabryat (Uruguay). "We are going to tour the country before starting our siting," said Justice Sandstrom at the airport.

Replying to a question, the Chairman of the Commission said: "There is more reason for the Arabs to appear before the Commission if they are right in their criticism."

The Palestine Arab Higher Committee had informed Dr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, that it will boycott the Palestine inquiry. Dr. Lie has communicated the telegram sent by Jamal Husseini, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, to Justice Sandstrom and Dr. Victor Hoo, personal representative of Dr. Trygve Lie, called on Sir Alan Cunningham, Palestine High Commissioner, at Government House a few hours after their arrival by air at Lydda airport today.

At the airport the delegates were welcomed by Sir Henry Gurney, Palestine Government Chief Secretary, Major James Blount, representing Sir Alan Cunningham, and other senior Government officials.

Justice Sandstrom will start a tour of Palestine on Monday to get a background of the situation. His last visit to Palestine was as a tourist, 23 years ago. During the 30-mile road journey from Lydda to Jerusalem, Sir Henry Gurney pointed out to him features of the landscape. The first bomb-shattered buildings he saw in Jerusalem were the gaping ruins of the Officers' Club, where a terrorist explosion killed ten people.—Reuter.

## MARITIME STRIKE IN OFFING

New York, June 15. The negotiations between the CIO National Maritime Union and representatives of East Coast and Gulf ship-owners broke down today, increasing the possibility of a nationwide shipping tie up.

The meeting between operators and NMU recessed at 3 p.m. for 6 p.m. Ten minutes after it resumed, Joseph Curran, President of the Union, stormed out and announced a breakdown in negotiations. Curran charged that ship-operators were "cocky because of the current status of the Taft-Hartley labour bill and have decided to lock out NMU."

He hedged when asked whether there would be a direct strike call, but said: "As matters stand now, as of June 15 there is no contract."

The National Maritime Union, with 80,000 members, is the largest of the five CIO maritime unions whose contracts with ship-owners expire at midnight on Sunday. Although two unions have reached agreements with operators to extend their contracts, they stipulated the agreements would be cancelled if any other unions failed to reach terms with ship-owners.

Thus the deadlock in the negotiations between NMU and East Coast and Gulf coast operators forebodes a strike of 200,000 CIO maritime workers which would paralyze shipping in every port of the nation. One of the unions involved is Harry Bridge's West Coast International Longshoremen's Union.—Reuter.

and orthodox members of the Congress Party, who feel strongly about the division of India.

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## Another U.S. Air Disaster

Springfield, Vermont, June 15. Eight persons were killed when a United States Army "Superfortress" crashed into the side of Hawks Mountains near here in a driving rainstorm early today.

It is believed that this was the total number in the aircraft, which was on a training flight. Reuter.

## 50 Dead

Leesburg, June 15. Weary searchers reached the wreckage of the four-engined Pennsylvania Central Airliner today and established that all 50 persons aboard were killed when the plane plummeted into the side of the 1,589-foot Blue Ridge Mountain peak during a driving rainstorm on Friday night.

This is the second worst commercial air disaster in United States history. Bodies of the victims and the wreckage of the explosion-shattered plane were scattered over a wide area. The wreckage was sighted from the air at dawn but the search parties reached it only after hours of slogging through rain and mud and tangled underbrush up the rugged hillside.

Airline officials said that a mile and a half of road must be cut up to the mountain before the bodies can be brought out. The work of cutting through the thick underbrush has already begun.

The search parties tried half a dozen different approaches up the mountainside in their seven-hour hunt for the wrecked plane. A fox rolled down the mountain, enveloping them. They maintained contact by yells and shouts. Finally one group of PCA and Red Cross officials, who had ridden part of the way in a jeep but abandoned it two miles back, was led to the scene by a Piper Cub plane.

The rescuers carried stretchers and first aid equipment. They laid them aside as the first grim view of the disaster told them that no first aid would be needed.

All 50 bodies were found after a short search. The whole area was shrouded, indicating a terrible explosion. The tail section of the plane was on the Virginia side of the mountain and the fuselage on the West Virginia side. Bits of the wreckage were wedged into the mountain side.—United Press.

## 12 Bodies

Leesburg, June 15. Rescue workers searching for bodies of the 50 persons killed in yesterday's Skymaster crash in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Virginia, had brought in only 12 bodies by midnight.

Work was impeded by bad weather and the heavy ground. Litter bearers had to carry bodies for two miles on foot, and many gave up from exhaustion. Bodies were found strewn over an area of 100 yards on the mountain side.—Reuter.

## Grounding?

Washington, June 14. An administration source said today that the Government is "considering" grounding all former C-54s that have been converted to commercial airlines use.—United Press.

## Senator's Charge

Washington, June 14. The suggestion of a "structural failure" in DC-4 Skymaster planes was made today by Republican Senator Owen Brewster, Chairman of the Senate Committee Sub-committee on Aviation.

In three recent Skymaster crashes, 135 persons have been killed. Commenting on today's crash, Senator Brewster said that his committee would "look into" the matter. He did not believe that the cause was engine failure in any of the three accidents in the United States.

He said that he was not prepared to recommend that all DC-4s be grounded, but he assumed that the civil aeronautics agencies would consider such action.—Reuter.

## COMMENTS CONTROL

London, June 14. Clement Attlee, today announced that the Government's control of Atomic Energy last March as an

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## Today's Events

June 16—HKS & Whampoa Do annual meeting, noon.

## Coming Events

June 26—Dairy Farm, Lee & Co. Storage Co. Ltd. annual meeting, 11 a.m.

June 26—Sundakan Light Power Co. (1922) Ltd. annual meeting, noon.

June 27—Indo-China S.N. Co. Ltd. annual general meeting, noon.

July 11—Peak Tramways annual meeting, noon.

## Wedding

**Garcia-da Silva**  
A wedding was solemnized at St. Margaret's Church yesterday afternoon when the leading Portuguese families were united.

The happy couple were Miss Mary Garcia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Garcia, and Mr. Bernard N. da Silva, son of Mrs. C. M. G. da Silva and the late Mr. Silva.

The bride, gorgeously dressed and attended by eight bridesmaids dressed in pink and blue, was given away by her father. The groomsmen were Mr. J. L. Hayes and Mr. F. M. Garcia. Mr. C. Spezial officiated.

After the church ceremony the bridal party repaired to the Gloucester Hotel, where a reception was held for over 200 guests and relatives.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

## Meetings

The next meeting of the Sino-British Club will take place at St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 18. The speaker will be Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, who will speak on "The Lam Shau Kingdom & South Chinese Civilization." Mr. Barnett of the Colonial Secretariat is a well-known scholar and authority on Chinese history.

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong will meet tomorrow at 12.30 p.m. at the Gloucester Hotel. Mr. W. J. Liddle will speak on "Nepal, the Land of the Ghorries."

## Engaged

The engagement of Miss Margaret Nary Row to Mr. Edward Hugo Cruz of the Harbour Office was announced on Saturday.

## Y.M.C.A. CHIEF RESIGNING

Frankfurt, June 14. Mr. John R. Mott, 82-year-old President of the Young Men's Christian Association World Organization, told a meeting in Nuremberg today that he would resign from his post at the World Conference of the Y.M.C.A. in Scotland next month. Mr. Mott is a native of New York.—Reuter.

WAR IN MANCHURIA  
GROWING IN INTENSITY

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Shanghai, June 15. While the Chinese press and official circles are much exercised over the border incidents in far-off Turkestan, the civil war in Manchuria and North China is growing in intensity and Government forces are hard-pressed everywhere.

The Chinese Communists, apparently coordinating operations with the Manchurian offensive, have been extending the offensive to North China.

Strong and continual attacks are being made against the main railways, destroying bridges, mining the line and turning stations.

## Trains Stop

Between Peiping and Tientsin our railway bridges have been down up and no trains have been running for the last three days.

At the northern end of the Tientsin-Peking line the Communists are staging an attack on a reported 30,000 troops against three railway towns within 50 miles south of Tientsin.

On the Peiping-Hankow line attacks have been made and

bridges destroyed only 20 miles south of Peiping, and gunfire is repeatedly heard in the city.

## Red Gains

The Peiping-Suiyuan line is the only line still running undisturbed from Peiping.

In Manchuria heavy fighting is proceeding for Saipingkuai, still held by Government forces, while the Fushan coal mines, 30 miles from Mukden, are reported threatened.

In areas further south, round Antung and also on the former leased territory border, the Communists are staging strong offensives and are reported to have made considerable gains.—Our Own Correspondent.

Night Swoop Near  
Peiping Beaten Off

Peiping, June 14. As distant gunfire died away early in the afternoon, the Nationalist news office reported that between 2,000 and 4,000 Communists were beaten off after a night swoop near Peiping, during which they destroyed a section of the railway to the provincial capital of Paoting, headquarters of the Hopedai war zone.

Newspapers reported that the Communists destroyed a railway bridge over Chuanaho River.

At the same time, the Nationalists announced their withdrawal from the stronghold of Tangshan, which is 100 kilometers south of Tientsin, in face of what they called a "Communist offensive" aimed at joining hands with the main Red forces in Shangtung province.

General Liang Shu-tsai, chief of the Military Affairs Department of the Generalissimo's Peiping Headquarters, told a press conference that two Communist brigades struck at the Nationalist garrison at Nan-kun near Changhsintien, 20 kilometers southwest of Peiping. He said the attack was repelled after two hours of fighting. Papers, however, said that fighting continued throughout this morning. Gunfire was audible in Peiping till past noon.

## Real Offensive

Long isolated from the south and now cut off from Peiping as well, Paoting is the seat of General Sun Lien-chung's 11th War Zone which covers Hopedai, part of Northern Shantung and western Jehol.

Liang Shu-tsai said the attacks south of Tientsin were not staged by Communist forces.

Economic  
Conference Today

Shanghai, June 15. Mayor K. C. Wu will entertain 10 Allied delegations to the first session of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East tomorrow evening, following the opening of the conference here in the morning.

The Foreign Minister, Wang Shih-chieh, will make the opening address and Mayor Wu will also deliver a speech of welcome. A. D. K. Owen, assistant Secretary-General, will speak on behalf of the United Nations Secretary General, Trygve Lie.

Restoration of trade relations between Japan and other nations in the Far East is one of the main questions to be discussed, Owen said to the press. The opening meet will also decide on the procedure for the 10-day session.—United Press.

STUDENTS ON  
TRIAL

Shanghai, June 15. Four hundred university students crowded the Shanghai District Court yesterday for the opening of the trial of 11 undergraduates charged by anti-strike students with assaulting them during a campus argument on whether to call a strike.

Court officials, declaring that that plaintiffs are willing to negotiate with the defendants, posted a notice immediately calling off the trial session amid loud shouts of disapproval by a throng of spectators who demanded the accused be released on bail.—United Press.

SOCIALISTS  
IN CANTON

Canton, June 15. The National Socialist Party of China has established a Canton chapter with Hu Fu-shi, at-councilor, as direct committee member.

It was announced that the Youth Party will do likewise later. The Kuomintang headquarters warned members against joining other political parties unless they first secure release from the Kuomintang. Otherwise they are liable to punishment.—Associated Press.

Clue In  
Tokyo  
Murder

Tokyo, June 15. SCAP's Public Relations Office today said Criminal Investigation Division agents investigating the slaying of the United States War Department employee, 33-year-old Miss Hirocha Lvova, in Tokyo on Sunday night, indicated they had uncovered "considerable information" involving two, and possibly three, men in the case.

They said two and possibly three men were known by CID officials to have been in the immediate vicinity of the crime while the victim's screams were heard. The office said these persons were observed hastily leaving the area by other witnesses.

Tire marks and blood stains at the scene of the crime—a lonely street on Tokyo's north side—coupled with information given by American and Japanese witnesses who saw the persons leave the scene have given officers a lead, the office said.

The announcement added that it was also known that two or three men were at the scene of the crime in an American vehicle.—United Press.

Gunboat  
Sinks In  
Typhoon

Shanghai, June 15. The Chinese Navy yesterday confirmed the sinking of the 70-ton river gunboat, Kiangsui, which was taken over from the Japanese Navy, but said there were no casualties.

The ship sank in the Yangtze River during a typhoon last Saturday.

Meanwhile, 19 corpses of the passengers of the sunken vessel, Tah Fong, were brought here from Woosung at the mouth of the Whampoa River for identification by their relatives. Thirty are still missing.

At the same time dependants of officers and ratings of the gunboat, Fu Po, which was sunk off Fukien recently after a collision with a China Merchants steamship, demanded indemnity from the company after receiving compensation from the Navy.—United Press.

SEQUEL TO SINKING  
OF "FU PO"

Shanghai, June 15. Claims growing out of the sinking of the Chinese Navy gunboat Fu Po off the Amoy coast last March when in collision with a ship belonging to the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company soon will go before the National Minister of Defence and the Chief of Staff.

The gunboat sank with 127 officers and men. Families of three of them already have been paid sums totalling CNY\$10,000,000. Thirty-six other dependants besieged the Shanghai coast of living index which the company says are too high.—Associated Press.

DR. EVATT TO  
VISIT JAPAN

Tokyo, June 15. Mr. Evatt, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, will arrive in Japan about July 10 and will remain for about one week. It was officially learned today.

Mr. Evatt, who is coming to Japan as a result of a "very warmest invitation from General of the Army Douglas MacArthur" is expected to live with General MacArthur at the American Embassy.—Reuter.

## Nanking, June 15.

The Soviet embassy said today that the Soviet Ambassador to China, A. Petrov, who recently was reported about to leave for Moscow to report on the Mongolian situation, really is going home for medical attention.—Associated Press.

## POP

THE "MIKADO"  
FOR TOKYO

Tokyo, June 15. The United Kingdom Liaison Mission to Japan reports that it has received a request from the Civil Education Section of General MacArthur's Headquarters to forward to the copyright owners of Gilbert and Sullivan's opera "The Mikado" a request for permission for a Japanese company to produce the show in Tokyo.

Officials of the company, who have put 1,000,000 yen into the production, declare that if permission is received, it will probably be some time in September before the English comic opera can be presented.—Reuter.

What The  
Conference  
Will Discuss

Shanghai, June 15. Discussion of restoration of trade between Japan and other nations is sure to come up before the United Nations Economic Council for Asia and the Far East which opens in Shanghai tomorrow, A. D. K. Owen, assistant secretary of the United Nations economic affairs department, said today.

Ten nations of the Far East or with territorial connections in the Far East will be represented.

Owen said that although Japan's economic conditions are outside the scope of the Economic Council for Asia and the Far East, the prospective return of her economy to a peacetime basis makes future relations of concern to all nations.

Owen said Shanghai will be provisional headquarters of the ECAFE at least until the end of the present year. Bad weather delayed the arrival on June 14 of the 11-man Soviet delegation which is due late today.—Associated Press.

Bandits  
Take Over

Canton, June 15. Banditry in the area just north of Kwangchowwan has become so menacing that a curfew and alert have been in force in that former French leased territory since the night of June 12, according to Chinese press reports.

Activities of the bandits have spread to Fangcheng in the Southwest, the home of Gen. Chen Chi-tang, one time military leader of the Southwest and now local industrial magnate.

The Great Light Evening News said that the bandits planned a province-wide uprising on June 6 but their conspiracy was frustrated.—Associated Press.

Floods  
In Waichow

Canton, June 13. The Ma On (Saddle) Dam is almost entirely flooded by the rapidly rising torrent in the Waichow area, according to the latest official report received by the Kwangtung Provincial Commission of Reconstruction. The highest portion of the Dam is only two or three inches above the water, while the lower parts were flooded two or three days ago.

The Dam was completed only a month ago. It was the greatest engineering work since the close of the war.—KPN.

Shanghai, June 15. CNRRA Air Transport announced today conclusion of the plane shipment of 400 blooded New Zealand sheep to Lanchow in Kansu Province as part of the UNRRA rehabilitation plan. Pilot Robert Rousselet said not a single sheep got sick.—Associated Press.

'Enormous Burden'  
On U.S.A.

Washington, June 14. Ex-President Herbert Hoover, in a letter to Senator Styles Bridges, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, on the "Limits of American aid to foreign countries," advocated a series of measures to prevent starvation abroad.

At the same time he advocated preserving United States economic potential including increasing export volumes by voluntary consumer reductions, coordination of the activities of all agencies now participating in United States foreign economic relations, limitation of United States resources to "areas where western civilization can be preserved" and stockpiling certain materials available for export abroad to strengthen these countries' dollar reserves.

The letter warned "there is greater danger of political and economic chaos in the world today than at any time since the war. There is more hunger and want than during the war. We must continue to do our utmost to prevent world starvation. But the greatest danger to all civilization is for us to impair our economy by drains crippling our own productivity. Unless this one remaining Gibraltar of economic strength is maintained, chaos will be inevitable throughout the world."

The letter detailed the "enormous" burden on the United States through grants, gifts and loans abroad totalling some \$13,000,000,000 in the past two years and about \$6,000,000,000 for the next 12 months plus "further liability of the United States in the shape of foreign deposits including gold and foreign ownership of American securities aggregating at least \$14,000,000,000."

Hoover's letter said study of these commitments shows the "United States today is a debtor rather than a creditor nation... the conclusion seems to me irrefutable that as a result of our giving and lending we are over-exporting goods and cannot continue at such a rate with our present production and consumption without further civil consequences to our stability."

Obstruction By  
Soviet

"Unless we can increase our productivity or decrease our consumption of goods we must seriously reduce the volume of exports to below the rate of the last two years with a corresponding reduction in gifts and loans for which we supply goods... the obstruction of the Soviet Government to peace during the past two years has imposed millions in expenditures upon us through support of the occupation armies and relief to starvation which would not otherwise have been required."

"However, we can apparently expect little cooperation from that quarter. But if there is full cooperation from the other nations it would lessen our burdens and divert much of our dead loss expenditures to more constructive channels abroad. For instance, cooperation in the three western zones of Germany and Japan—to abolish inhibitions on their productivity, due to wrong concepts of reparations levels of industry, would increase their productivity and exports and this would greatly reduce the drain on us."

Obviously referring to earlier proposals by Henry Wallace, Hoover said "Various proposals

have been made for the expansion of our loans by 50 or more milliards dollars. The impracticability of these ideas with present rate of production must be obvious."

## Stockpiling

He said one measure to increase American imports and thus "strengthen the international financial structure" was the stockpiling of materials of which the United States has short which may be available in surplus abroad. He said these include tin, manganese, iron ore, mercury, copper, lead, zinc, tungsten, chromite nickel and rubber. Although there is no substantial surplus of these materials abroad now "they will be available within a reasonable time... and we would be receiving commodities instead of obligations."

Hoover strongly rejected any restoration of wartime controls in the United States as a "form of totalitarian economy which the American people are not likely to accept."

Among other proposals advanced by Hoover are periodic appraisal of United States capacity for exports, cooperation by other nations in establishing a system of inspection and application to the best use to increase productivity for United States gifts and loans and consolidation of all foreign economic agencies in one overall group.—United Press.

Experiment  
On Rice

Manila, June 15. Over 100,000 inhabitants of war-battered Bataan Peninsula have volunteered to be guinea pigs in a test which may have far-reaching effects on hundreds of millions of Asians for whom rice is the staple diet item.

Dr. Juan Salcedo, Jr., Field Operations Director of the U.S. Public Health Service in the Philippines, will attempt to determine if the method he developed for fortifying polished rice with Vitamin B can be used practically on a mass scale to prevent beri-beri.

He said most Orientals want their rice polished white until it virtually becomes without vitamins. He believes at the cost of 25 cents annually per capita it can be possible to supply more than enough beri-beri-preventing elements to the entire population.

The method does not change the appearance of the taste of rice.

Dr. Salcedo, Jr., is the holder of the US\$25,000 Williams Waterman Fund Grant for nutritional research. Bataan was chosen because its people particularly have been poorly nourished since the war owing to the destruction caused during the battle for the peninsula.—Associated Press.

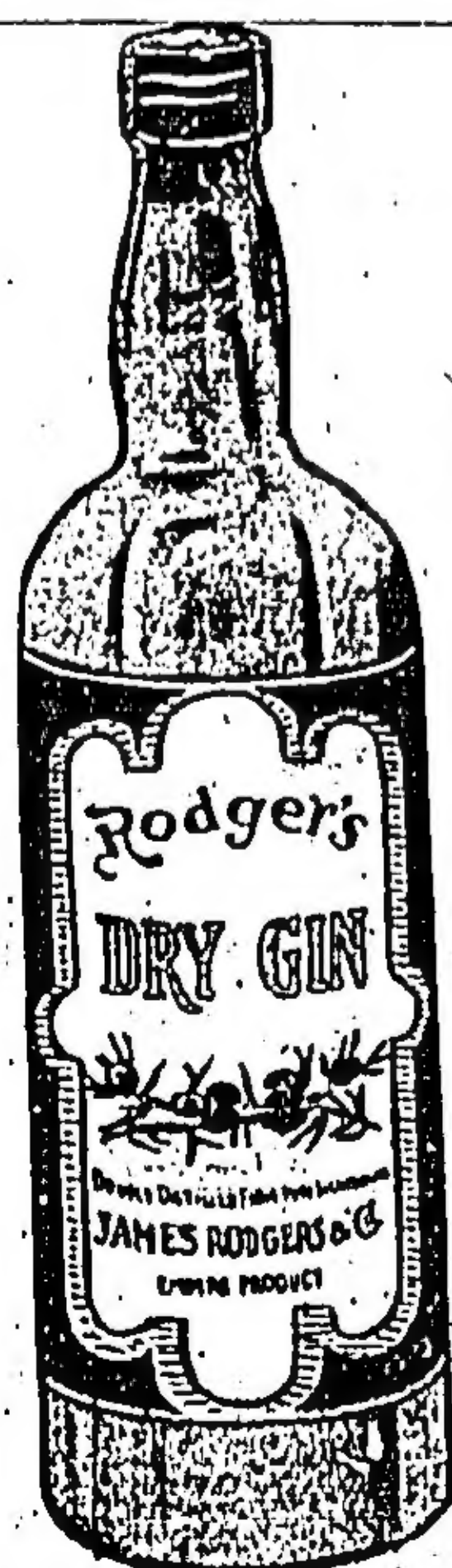
Athens, June 14. Greek Government sources here today rejected Yugoslav claims that Greek planes flew over Yugoslav territory yesterday.—Reuter.

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# RESURGENCE OF WORLD FASCISM

## Warning To The Allied Prime Ministers

### Disquieting State Of Affairs

London, June 14.

The International Committee for study of European questions has submitted documents to the Prime Ministers and Foreign Secretaries of the former Allied nations, warning them of the resurgence of Fascism throughout the world.

Leading politicians of the Allied nations, among them M. Edouard Herriot, former French Premier, M. Robert Gillon, President of the Belgian Senate, M. Christmas Moeller, former Danish Foreign Minister, and Lord Vansittart, former diplomatic adviser to the British Foreign Office, are members of the International Committee, whose secretary, Mr. Robert Bore, told Reuter today that information reaching him from agents disclosed a disquieting state of affairs.

## Roosevelt, Churchill Names Wiped Off

Niagara Falls, June 14.

A dispute over the inscription on the master bell of the new \$100,000 "peace carillon," being installed here, has resulted in a decision to scrape the names of Roosevelt and Churchill from the bell.

The inscription reads: "To God's glory and in grateful memory of our nation's leaders, Winston and Franklin Delano Roosevelt."

The bell and the inscription were ordered by the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, an international body.

Recently, some members of the Commission pressed for a revision to include the name of an unspecified Canadian leader, presumably Prime Minister Mackenzie King. As the addition was impossible without a recasting of the bell, the Commission decided to eliminate the names of Churchill and Roosevelt.

It has been alleged that members of the Canadian Government "put pressure" on the Commission.

Mr. Mackenzie King has made no comment.—Reuter.

## INDO-CHINA EASIER?

Paris, June 14.

The French High Commissioner to Indo-China, M. Emile Bollaert, arrived here by air from Saigon this afternoon.

Saying that he was to make a routine report to Government, M. Bollaert told journalists: "All I can tell you is that for the past two months the situation in Indo-China has eased noticeably and that the country is regaining confidence in itself."—Reuter.

## TROUBLE IN PUNJAB

Lahore, June 14.

Two persons, including a police constable, were killed and another injured through unspecified police and military action today in the holy Sikh city of Amritsar in the Punjab. Six cases of arson have been reported there during the last 24 hours.

In Lahore, two houses were set on fire and one person fatally stabbed immediately after the 60 hour curfew had been lifted.—Reuter.

## "JANE"



## WAR BRIDE "TOO LATE"

San Francisco, June 15.

Alexandra Ward, 27, Russian-born war bride from Shanghai, was ordered to be deported because she arrived too late.

She arrived two days after Clarence R. Ward received a bad conduct discharge from the navy.

He had been court-martialed for being A.W.O.L. in China and was then imprisoned for a year before discharge. The deportation order will be appealed.—Associated Press.

## Food Shortage Snags

Hot Springs, Va., June 14.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson told a meeting of the American Plant Food Council today that a world shortage of nitrogen makes it difficult for the International Emergency Food Council to allocate short supplies.

"Plant food materials are so vital to the people of all countries that they are being allocated on an international basis just as life-saving cereals are divided up by mutual consent," he said.

He said the world outlook for phosphate is improved and "there may be just about enough phosphorus to go around."—United Press.

## MR. CHURCHILL

London, June 14.

A bulletin signed by Sir Thomas Dunhill and Lord Dorman said Winston Churchill continues to make good progress. They are among the surgeons who operated on him on Wednesday.—United Press.

## Franco-Egyptian Incident

Cairo, June 14.

The Captain of the Egyptian ship El Amira Fawzia, recently refused permission by the French authorities to enter Tunis harbour, declared today that his request for a supply of fresh water in Tunis was turned down by the French authorities, declaring that water could only be supplied in mid-sea through pumps.

The vessel returned today to Alexandria where her Captain Colonel Baha Edine Hafez gave a first-hand account of the incident.

On the Fawzia's arrival outside Tunis, with relief supplies for the Tunisians, he said that he sent a telegram to the Port Authorities advising them of her entry into port the following morning.

A French military plane circled over the Fawzia taking photographs of the ship, after which a telegram from the French Resident-General in Tunis informed them of the refusal to let the Fawzia enter Tunisian territorial waters on the grounds that her formalities were not made in time.

The following day, said the Captain, a French warship steamed towards the Fawzia and ordered the vessel to stop.

## OIL PRICES LOWERED

Macassar, June 14.

With a view to stimulating economic developments on the islands, East Indonesia oil prices have been decreased to an important extent, Aneta reported today.

Gasoline, per litre, has been decreased by ten cents (average), while petroleum prices show an average decrease of 15 cents.—United Press.

## Truman Accuses Three Balkan Nations

Washington, June 14.

President Truman tonight accused the Governments of Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria of oppressing the peoples of their countries.

In a statement issued on the occasion of the signing of the ratification of the peace treaties with these three ex-enemy countries, President Truman said: "I feel I must publicly express regret that the Governments of these countries not only have disregarded the will of the majority of the people but have resorted to measures of repression against them."

"Ever since the liberation of these countries from the Nazi yoke and the commitments undertaken by the three Allies at Yalta, I had hoped that governments, truly representative of the people, would be established there."

"Such governments do not exist today in those three countries."

"It is, however, in the interests of the Hungarian, Rumanian and Bulgarian peoples to terminate the state of war which has existed between their Governments and the United States for over five years."

An outrage will mean that all occupation forces (not including Soviet and American troops) will be needed to maintain lines of communication to the Soviet zone of occupation in Austria) will be withdrawn from these countries and the Armistice Control Commission terminated.

At a press conference last week, President Truman described the recent political crisis in Hungary, which ended in the resignation of Prime Minister Ferenc Nagy, as an "outrage."

The United States State Department has formally asked the Soviet authorities in Hungary to explain their part in the events which led to the crisis and the note implied that the United States might bring the matter before the United Nations.—Reuter.

## Cushy Billet For Riff Leader

Cairo, June 14.

The Egyptian Government has granted the former Riff rebel leader, Abd El Krim, \$2,000 a month and two villas in Alexandria during his sanctuary here from the French authorities.

Karim Bey, press advisor to King Farouk, said the king has given sanctuary to the Riff leader as a "duty from one Arab to another and from one Muslim to another."

Premier Mahmoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha said the incident was closed and that France must realize that Abd El Krim's presence in Egypt will not have repercussions in North Africa. He said Krim was given refuge as an Arab and opponent of foreign domination.—United Press.

## President's Message To Congress

Washington, June 14.

President Truman will announce on Monday by a message to Congress whether or not he will veto the Republican-sponsored legislation calling for tax reductions, a White House statement said today.

The bill, providing for a \$4,000,000,000 reduction in United States taxes, was passed by both the House of Representatives and the Senate at the beginning of the month.

Each chamber would have to record a two-thirds majority to make the bill law if the President exercises his veto.—Reuter.

Sofia, June 14.

The Sofia Court today sentenced Peter Koev, former opposition agrarian member of Parliament, to 12½ years imprisonment for "inciting the formation of a military conspiracy" in the so-called neutral officer conspiracy.—United Press.

## King's Speech At Sandhurst

Sandhurst, June 14.

The King today presented new colours to the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst, the newly completed training centre for officers formerly from the old Royal Military College and Woolwich Academy.

Addressing the parade, the King, who had driven over from Windsor with the Queen and the two Princesses said:

"It gives me great pleasure to see you on parade today, and to present these new colours. By doing so I am able to continue the custom which Queen Charlotte began in 1813, and which successive members of my family have followed. I want to tell you what I expect of you."

"The past is important. In two great wars, two military colleges whose names are emblazoned on your colours, gave many of their bravest and most distinguished sons on the battlefield. When you salute your colours remember the generations who have studied and served here before you, and do nothing to tarnish their honour."

"For you and all of us the future is more important still. I ask you to think of this while you are here, and to do everything that you can, both by your conduct and your work, to fit yourself for the exciting days ahead. Try to do better even than those who have gone before you. Above all, remember that the career which you have undertaken is one of great unselfishness. Your colours by their consecration, may remind you of the supreme example of unselfishness which the world has seen, and your 'Serve to lead' may teach you that only by regulating such an example, can you each hope to play your part as commanders of men."

"I feel confident not only that you will prove worthy guardians of your colours, but that you will leave Sandhurst, and then on, with added lustre to your success."—Reuter.

## GLORIA GIVES IT UP

London, June 14.

Gloria Jean, banned by several London newspapers for singing the Lord's Prayer in a popular music programme at the London Casino on Monday night, is going home.

She collapsed on the stage the night after the incident, and said that she had been "not very well" since then. She will leave on Thursday.

A tour of British Music Hall planned for the actress has been cancelled.—Reuter.

## His Wife Was A Worthless Baggage

London, June 14.

Judge J.B. Sandbach told a handsome young veteran of the Grenadier Guards today that "Your wife is a worthless baggage."

Terrence Frazer, 25-year-old Guardsman who distinguished himself in six years of war, agreed with the court.

Upon his homecoming he found that his wife had borne children by three other men. She refused his offer for reconciliation.

Frazer picked up with another woman whom the judge also described as a "worthless baggage" and surrendered to police later on charges of stealing.

The judge said women had led him into crime but "he realized now what a fool he had been."

Frazer was cleared of the charges but placed on probation.—United Press.

## BRITISH POLICE IN INCIDENT

Jerusalem, June 14.

Two out of three British police officers held by the Syrian authorities in Damascus during the last few days returned to Palestine tonight of their own accord.

The third officer was still held in Damascus pending the completion of extradition formalities.

All three officers were linked with the disappearance on May 11 from Jerusalem of a 17-year-old Jew, Alexander Rudovitz.—Reuter.

Jerusalem, June 14.

Dr. Moshe Sneh of the Jewish Agency Executive, and Eliezer Kaplan, Treasurer of the Jewish Agency, arrived in Palestine by air tonight to attend tomorrow's full meeting of the Executive on the eve of the opening of the United Nations special Palestine fact-finding mission.—Reuter.

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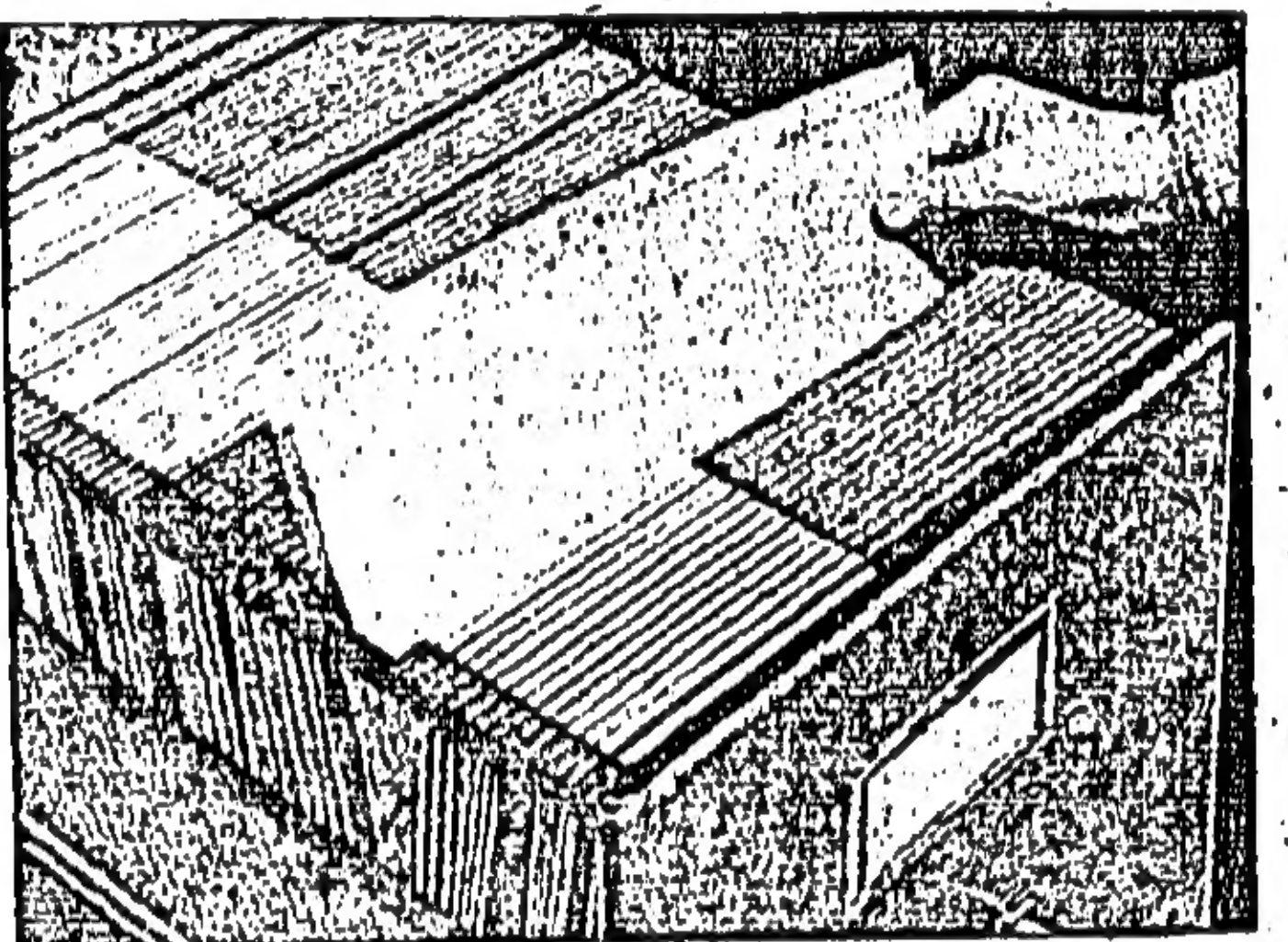
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S. P. PERRY

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V. KENNIF,   
Director of Public Works.

Hong Kong, 11th June, 1947.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on Friday 11th July 1947, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the period—1st September 1946 to 31st March 1947, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 28th June to the 11th July 1947, both days inclusive.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place and on the same day at 12.30 p.m. or so soon afterwards as the Ordinary General Meeting shall be concluded, when the proposed Resolutions will be submitted:—

- That Article 88 of the Company's Articles of Association be altered by striking out the words "the Secretary and" in the eighth line thereof.
- That the foregoing resolution shall be retrospective and shall take effect from the 1st day of April, 1947.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

HONG KONG, 14th June 1947.

### THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Chung Tin Building, First Floor, 5, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Saturday, 28th June, 1947, at Noon, for the purpose of confirming the appointment of the Board of Directors and receiving their Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946, for the period 1st January, 1942 to 31st December, 1946, for the year ended 31st December, 1946, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

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General Managers.  
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#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Windsor House, Mezzanine Floor, on Thursday 26th June, 1947, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946, to sanction the declaration of a Dividend and Bonus and to re-elect Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 12th to 26th June, 1947, both days inclusive.

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J. D. THOMSON

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## Bevin To Initiate Talks In Paris

### Effort To Rally Europe

Paris, June 14.

French official circles were tonight agreeably surprised at the "lightning" British decision that their Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will come to Paris on Tuesday to consult with M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, on the Marshall plan for European economic cooperation.

The decision was interpreted here as an indication that the British Government attached considerable importance to Britain taking the lead in European affairs and regarded the Marshall proposal as an excellent opportunity for trying to rally Europe round her standard.

The fact that Mr. Bevin wants to start by talking the matter over with the French was also welcomed in the hope that it might mean that the British Government would accord French economic recovery a certain priority over German economic reconstruction. Exactly how "the establishment of a common European economic programme" can be brought about is a matter on which the French have an open mind. No doubt Mr. Bevin's visit will afford a chance to examine ways and means.

#### French Fears

The idea of calling a general economic conference in London of the European countries is not particularly favoured in Paris, where it is feared that in a general conference there might be too many different viewpoints to reconcile and that the danger of failure of such a conference would produce an anti-European reaction in the United States, and particularly in Congress.

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### Irgun Coup In Cinema

Jerusalem, June 14.

Gunmen belonging to the Irgun Zvai Leumi, Jewish terrorist organisation, tonight held up the operators in a Jerusalem Zion cinema and forced them to put on the screen a slide appealing for recruits to their ranks.

At the same time police armoured cars and lorry loads of troops were rushed to the Vienna Cafe, 50 metres away, into which a smoke-bomb had been hurled.

A mine exploded near the Edison cinema in the heart of Jewish Jerusalem tonight but there were no casualties or damage according to police headquarters.

The police by radio warned all police and troops to watch out for a three ton army type lorry, which might have been involved.—Reuter.

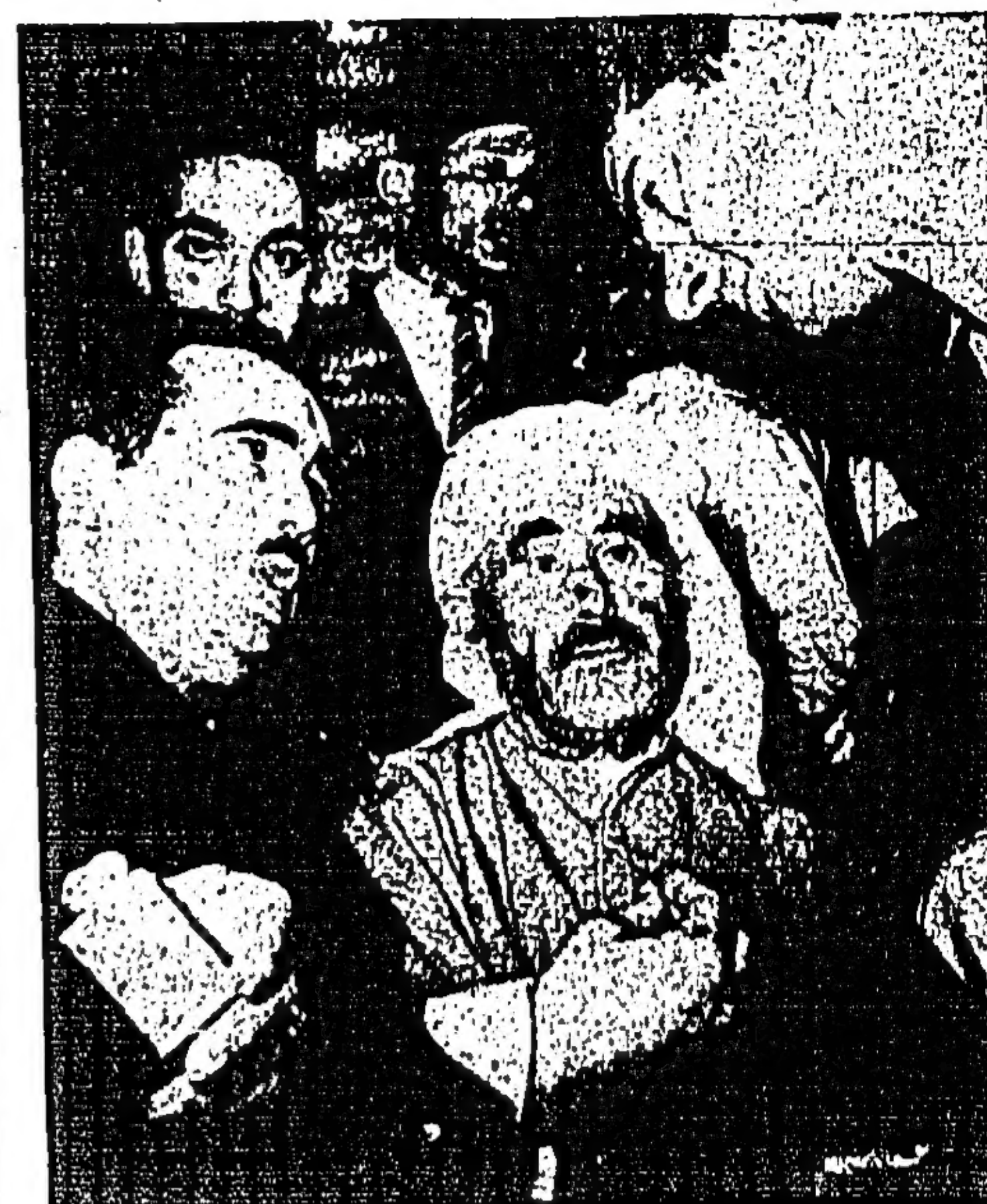
### NEW DANISH LOAN

Copenhagen, June 14.

A new internal state loan of 200 million kroner will be floated on June 16, it was announced today by the Danish Finance Minister.

The loan, which will be used for residential building, will bear 3-1/2 per cent interest and will be redeemed in 40 years.—Reuter.

### Abd El Krim In Cairo



Emir Abd El Krim, 67-year-old leader of the Riffs who was exiled by the French after the revolt in Morocco, and who was only recently permitted to leave Reunion Island on the understanding he would live in France, left his ship at Port Said. He has decided, on the invitation of King Farouk, to live in Egypt. He is here seen chatting with friends in Moroccan House, Cairo. (Associated Press Photo).

# Spain In Grip Of Terror

Tarbes, June 14.

Spain is in the throes of a reign of terror against all opposition to Generalissimo Franco, two fugitive Spanish workmen arrested by French frontier police reported today.

The two men, Jose Casaus and Gumerindo Pereira, were picked up by the French on June 10 near Gede after they had sneaked across the border. The pair claimed that they hoped to find more to eat in France, the police said.

The police said the two men claimed that Franco was trying to crush all Republican opposition by the severest means. They also said that the Spanish press was waging bitter daily attacks on France.

According to the police Casaus and Pereira said the editorials tried to prove that "France's Leftwing Government was getting nowhere but was leading the country to misery and anarchy."

The pair slipped across the frontier despite increased vigilance of heavy Spanish patrols. Informed sources said for the past month reinforced Spanish troops occupied positions high up in the mountains. The sources also said that the Spanish military border headquarters was at Suesca.

#### Germans' Escape

Spanish sources in Tarbes reported continual Francoist patrol activity along the border especially near Port de Gavarnie, where Spanish soldiers were seen firing along only 300 yards from the frontier.

French frontier officials admitted that despite French vigilance and doubling of Spanish guards, hundreds of fugitives had been able to cross the frontier in both directions in the past weeks. This was confirmed by the two Spaniards.

According to the officials, nearly 500 German prisoners of war escaped from France to Spain in the period from May 15 until June 5.

The Germans were grouped in bands of ten and were well provided with new shoes, food and forged papers, the prisoners said. They added that they thought the Spanish border guards had picked up all the Germans.—United Press.

### Frontier Incident Protest By Greece

Athens, June 14.

The Greek Government today protested to the United Nations Investigation team in Salonika against a frontier incident yesterday when 300 guerrillas were alleged to have attacked Greek Army units stationed between Kilkis and the Greek-Yugoslav border.

Greek air force and artillery was reported to have taken part in a day-long battle during which the raiders were stated to have lost 14 dead and wounded.

Military officials said that the guerrillas escaped into Yugoslavia "whence they had sallied forth." The subsidiary group of the United Nations Enquiry Commission has decided to ask the Yugoslav Government for facilities to enter Yugoslav territory to investigate recent incidents in the frontier areas of Kilkis and Beles.—Reuter.

### BACK PAY FOR MINERS

Paris, June 14.

The French Government announced today that French miners would get a monthly minimum of 7,000 francs back-dated to Feb. 1, 1947.

Additional guarantees for overtime, night-work on Sundays and holidays and other allowances would not be included in the new minimum.

Iconen in the Paris area went on strike today, demanding a wage increase of 10 francs per hour.—Reuter.

### ELECTIONS PUT OFF

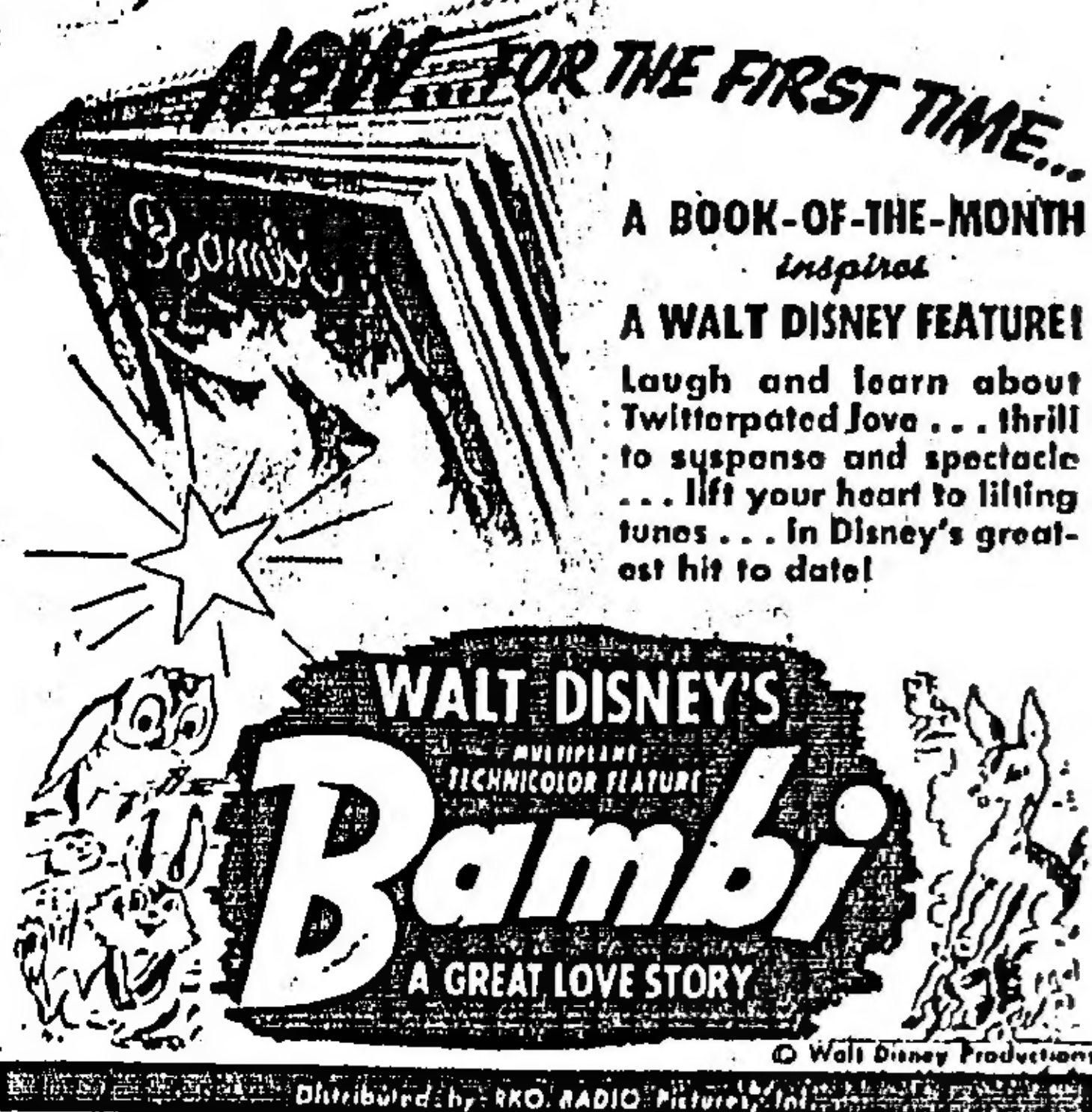
Rome, June 14.

The Italian Constituent Assembly today voted by a majority of 124 to postpone closing the Chamber to Dec. 31, thus putting off the general elections until next spring at least. Voting was 279 in favour, 155 against.

Signor Alcide de Gasperi, the Prime Minister, had previously announced that general elections would be held in Italy on Nov. 9 this year.—Reuter.



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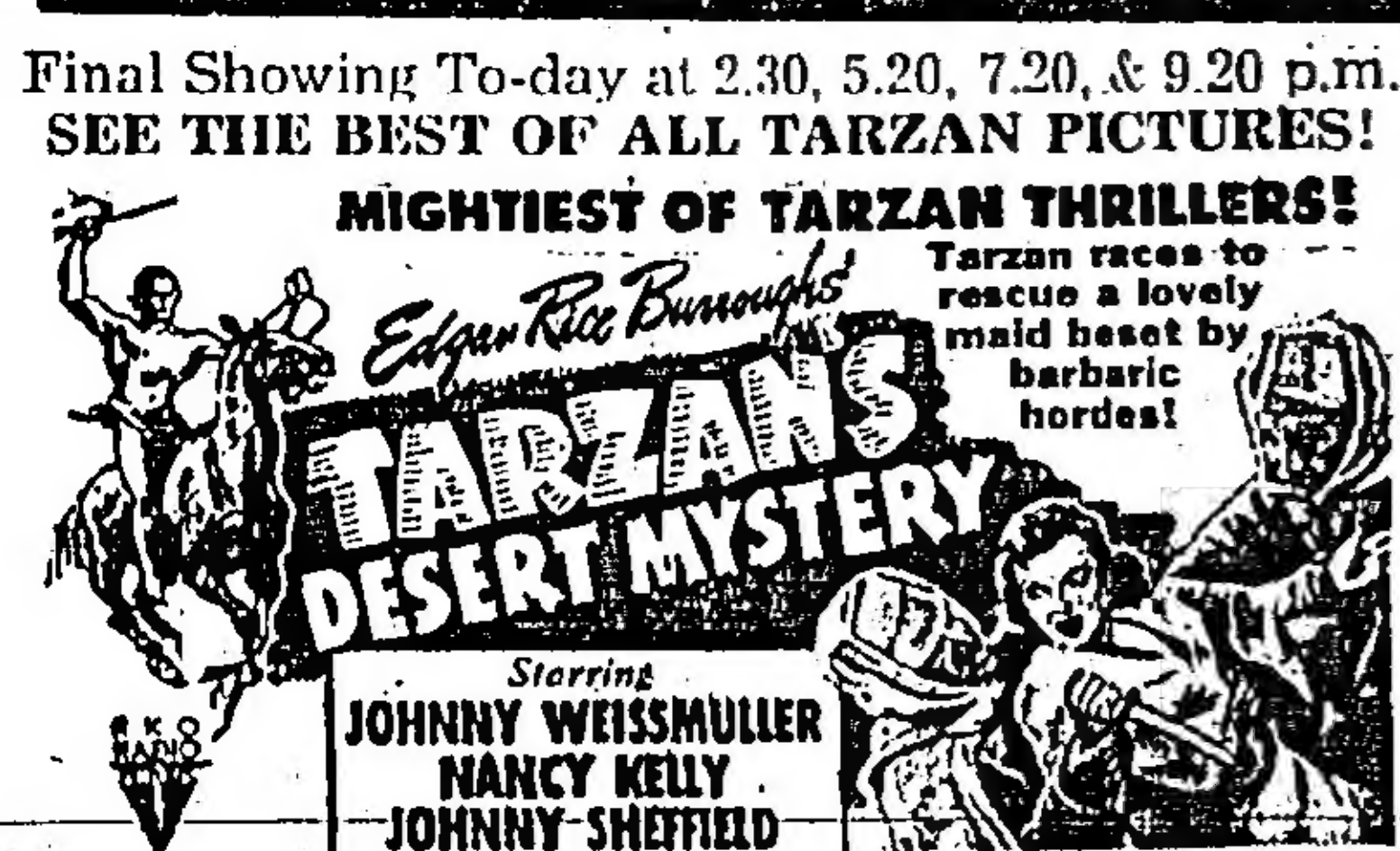


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## TURKEY TO BE U.S. BASTION

### Plans For Military Cooperation Now Under Secret Discussion

#### "THE SINGAPORE OF TURKEY"

Ankara, June 14. If present plans of Turko-American military cooperation are realised, Turkey will become the Middle East's strongest bastion for protecting America's immense oil interests from possible Soviet penetration.

The plans will build for America the central fortress of her anti-Russian Great Wall encircling the U.S.S.R. from the Arctic regions of the Bering Strait to Korea, Iran, Greece, Australia up to Western Germany and Iceland.

The plans, though officially not announced, seem to concern the construction of Turkey's internal highways, railways and harbours in order to enhance the efficiency of Turkey's internal communications arteries a necessity in a modern war.

The American Mission and the Turkish General Staff seemed to have agreed. In addition, a modern network of highways, patterned after New York's standard railways, will be built with entirely new harbours in the south coast.

The American plans envisage a new "Grand Central Station" in the heart of Turkey as the pivot for all forthcoming railways, to overshadow the efficiency of the old ones, many of which had been built decades ago by the Germans and French.

The planned new grand harbour in the south coast has already been given the nickname "the Singapore of Turkey" with facilities to accommodate giant warships and commercial vessels, complete with drydocks comparable to those of Singapore.

Observers foresee that if Turkey is regarded as Democracy's front line, this country will be criss-crossed by communications trenches, sufficient and efficient enough to rush American supplies from the Grand Harbour to the Grand Central Station, then with modern mili-

itary speed and precision to reach all frontier posts.

General Oliver's Mission is starting on Wednesday to inspect all Turkish existing fortifications, outposts, air force, army and navy bases, harbour, highways, and railways to complete the plans.

General Oliver himself anxiously told the Turkish press that his mission has no intention of running Turkey's military administration because the "ability, morale, and determination of Turkish officers command our admiration."

West First  
International observers pointed out that America's global strategy today is West first and East second, similar to that of World War II.

America today regards the protection of Arabian oil as of paramount importance. It constitutes the basic requirement for another world war, hence she has thrown an "iron curtain" teeth to teeth against Russia's "iron curtain."

Meanwhile, oil deposits in Transjordan are being explored, new oil deposits in Syria have just been discovered and construction of an American oil pipeline from Saudi Arabia to Lebanon will begin in November.

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## A Blunt Warning To Korean Leaders

Seoul, June 14. Major-General Albert Brown warned last night that should any Korean leader who claims the trust and following of a large segment of the population refuse to represent his people when crucial issues are involved he will surrender the democratic rights and influence of those he represents.

Such rights and influence will then be acquired by other groups led by more thoughtful leaders.

Observers unanimously interpreted Brown's remarks as virtually eliminating Khoo from oral consultation with the Joint Commission.

General Brown's blunt warning to Korean leaders still refusing to cooperate with the Commission came as a surprise punch in the middle of a routine speech of appreciation for Korean hospitality.

Pointing out that there are a few Korean political leaders who still hesitate to give complete support to the work of the Joint Commission, General Brown stated that these leaders are confused by imaginary

#### MUCH ABOUT NOWT

Moscow, June 14. The Soviet Government newspaper Izvestia today bitterly criticised officials of Soviet Government offices for establishing "backheads" on the warm, sunny shores of the Black Sea, where "they go all out to make life as pleasant as possible for themselves."

"Refreshed by sunbathing, the chief of the paper supply office of the Ministry for the Cellulose and Paper Industry got up sufficient strength to organize the supply of nails to plants in the Urals," the paper said sarcastically.—Reuter.

## Hungary's Foreign Minister

Budapest, June 14. The Hungarian Minister of Information, Ernő Mihalyci, told a press conference today that Professor Julius Szekess, Hungarian Minister in Moscow, was not a likely candidate for the post of Foreign Minister.

Nothing has been decided yet about this post, which was left vacant when Imre Gyomai disappeared from the cabinet in the reshuffle after the resignation of Dr. Ferenc Nagy from the Premiership.

It is temporarily held by Mihalyci, who said that reports that the Hungarian police force was to be controlled by Russians were entirely without foundation.

The number of Hungarian police was fixed by the armistice terms at 34,000, but there were not more than 22,000 to 23,000 at present, he said.

It was not known how many of these were political police.

Asked whether the adjournment of Parliament by the Speaker on Thursday, when the Opposition leader, Denzo Suljok, made his speech describing Hungary as a "police state," had been illegal, the Minister said that it was not an adjournment but merely a postponement.

The Speaker was constitutionally entitled to postpone the debate without a vote, he said. The debate would continue next Wednesday.—Reuter.

## Nehru's Order To Nepal

New Delhi, June 14. Constitutional reforms for Nepal, independent kingdom in the Himalayan foothills and home of the famous warrior Gurkhas, were brought a step nearer today when Pandit Nehru, Vice-President of the Indian Interim Government, asked Congress to call off its civil disobedience movement there.

The movement, "for the restoration of civil liberties of the people," has been going on since April 10 and about 100 people have been arrested.

Pandit Nehru today asked Congress to accept the offer of reforms announced by Maharajah Sir Padma Shamsher Jung Bahadur Rana, Prime Minister of Nepal, last month and to abandon civil resistance "in view of the world situation."

On Pandit Nehru's advice, Sri Krishna, member of the Central Assembly, has gone to Nepal to help the Nepalese Government to implement its promise.

Reforms  
Among the reforms mentioned by the Nepal Prime Minister last May 24 were, firstly, freedom of speech and association.

Secondly, forty-one municipalities and district boards to be set up and local authority transferred to them.

Thirdly, annual publication of the national budget.

Fourthly, appointment of consuls where necessary to protect the interests of Nepalese subjects outside Nepal.

The present regime in Nepal is aristocratic and military, all power being in the Prime Minister's hands, whose office devolves by succession in the ruling family.

Nepal, with an estimated population of less than 6,000,000, contributed 120,000 Gurkha troops—all volunteers—to the Indian Army in the Second World War.—Reuter.

## Andamans As Naval Base?

New Delhi, June 14. The Indian Home Department today denied Indian press reports that the strategic Andaman and Nicobar Islands in the Bay of Bengal, now administered by the Central Indian Government as British Indian territory, would be ceded to the British Government as naval bases.

"There has been no discussion of this question and the report is without any foundation," a Department spokesman said.

The reports had suggested that the group of islands, about 800 miles east of the coast of India, might be converted into British naval bases in the Bay of Bengal as subsidiaries to the main British naval base at Trincomalee in Ceylon.

Until September, 1945 the Andamans had been used for nearly 90 years as the Government of India penal settlement.—Reuter.

## TITO HOST TO NOEL-BAKER

Belgrade, June 14. Marshal Josip Tito today entertained to lunch the British Air Minister, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, and the entire staff of the British Embassy. The British Minister today laid a wreath at the British Military Cemetery in Belgrade. Mr. Noel-Baker is leaving Belgrade for Britain tomorrow.—Reuter.

Paris, June 14. Employees of the French capital's equivalent of the five and ten cents stores went on strike today for wage increases of from 500 to 1000 francs.—Reuter.

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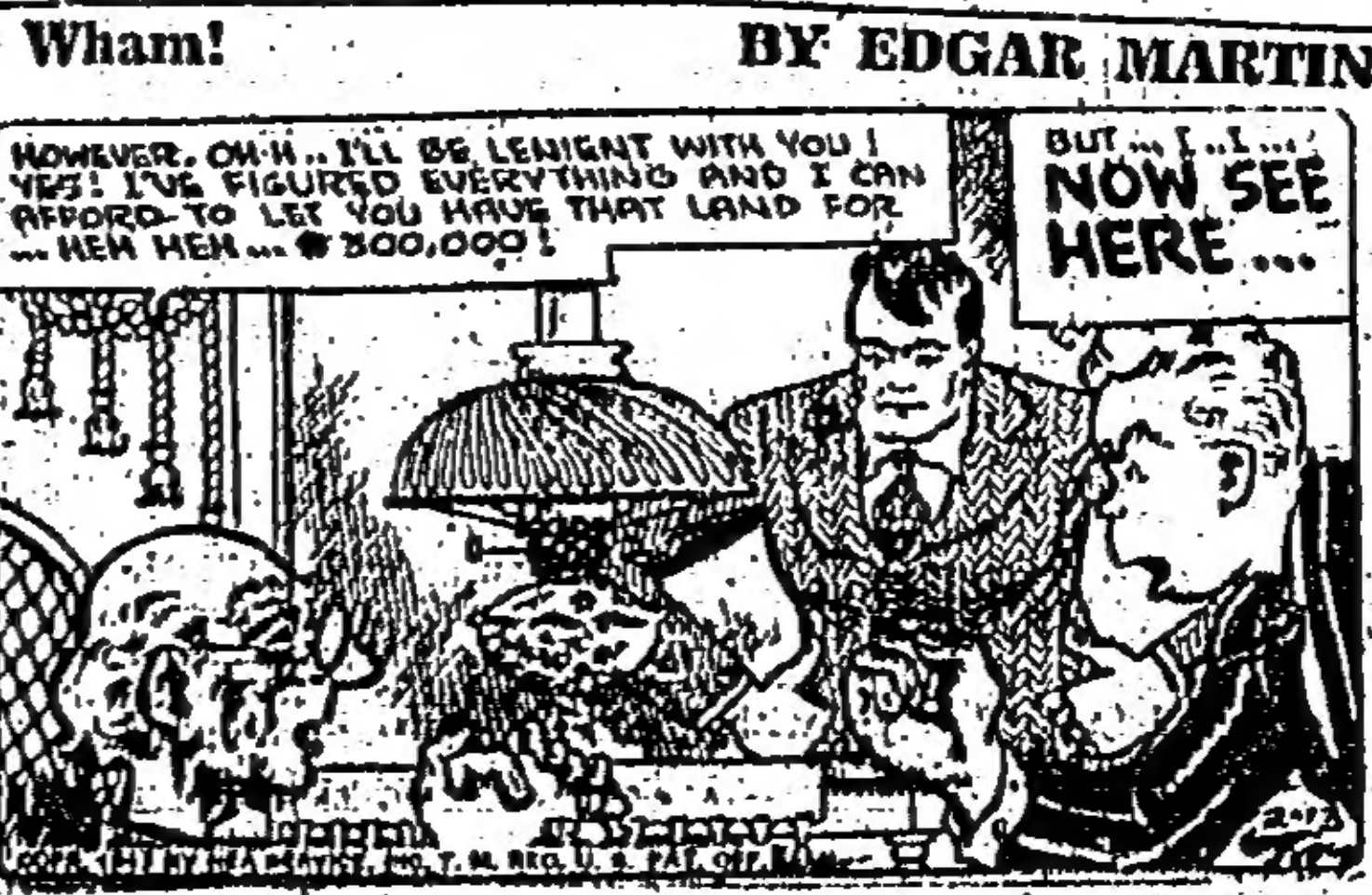
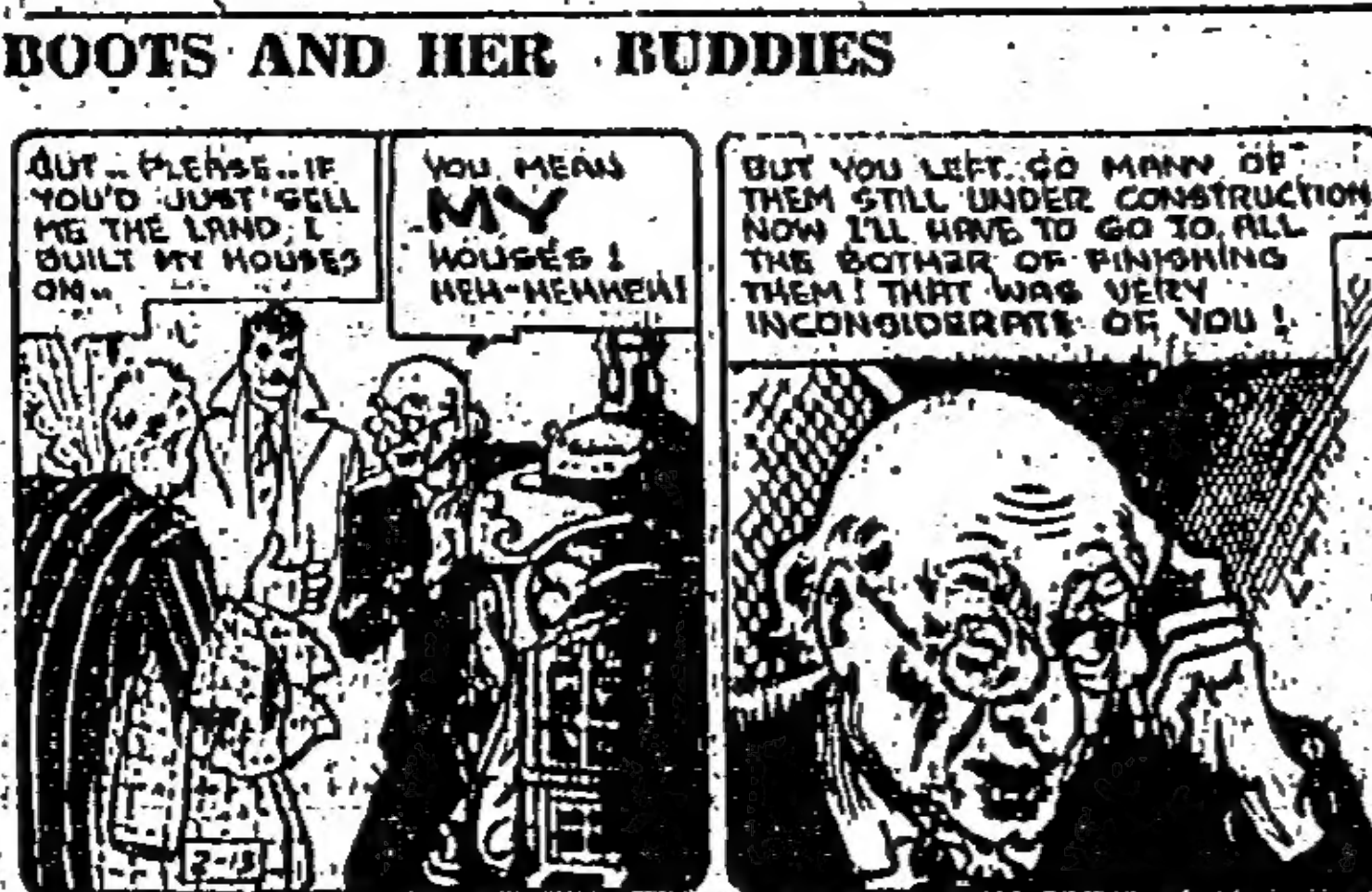


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## A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH

### Premier Calls For Support Of U.N.O.

#### "Next War Will Be Disastrous"

Canterbury, June 14.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, speaking here today called for the same fervour for the United Nations as was given to the League of Nations, and added: "It is literally not merely a matter of life and death for an individual; it is a matter of life and death for civilisation."

Mr. Attlee, without venturing any suggestion of confidence that world peace had at last been assured, grimly told a rain-drenched throng at a United Nations Association rally tonight that "the last war was ghastly enough but modern invention makes it certain that the next one will be even more disastrous."

Pamphlets issued by the Association for distribution among the audience contained such slogans as "It is of vital interest to you," "Funds are needed now to preserve peace," "Apathy will lead to war."

One pamphlet was illustrated with two pictures—the first of children picking flowers in a pleasant meadow, the second of the Bikini atom bomb explosion. Their caption read: "It is up to you."

Appealing for active support of all activities associated with the United Nations, Mr. Attlee said: "This is not a thing that can be left to others."

## Great Advance

Behind him loomed Chillon Castle, where historians believe the early Britons were entrenched when Julius Caesar landed in 55 B.C.

The success of the League of Nations was only partial, he said. The present United Nations charter was based on the mistakes committed in the organisation of the League of Nations and was a great advance on it.

### Empire Conference Rumours

Ottawa, June 15. Reports of a projected Imperial Conference, which have been current in London, find no confirmation in the Canadian Department of External Affairs.

Officials discount suggestions of such a Conference being held in any immediate future. They believe the idea arises from a misunderstanding of suggestions that British Commonwealth representatives should meet as a preliminary to the Japanese peace conference.

If such a meeting is held, it is believed that it will be in London or Australia.

The purpose of such a meeting would not be to set up a concrete British Commonwealth bloc on Japanese treaty proposals, but rather to exchange and reconcile British and Dominion views as far as possible prior to the peace conference.

While admitting Britain, Australia, and New Zealand are more directly interested, Canada also is interested because of her participation in the Japanese war, and because of her Pacific Ocean coastline.—Our Own Correspondent.

### Turtle Island Dispute

London, June 15.

The Foreign Office today announced that the future of the Turtle Islands had not yet been settled.

The spokesman denied reports that Britain had obtained turtlehunting concessions in negotiations with the Philippines concerning the islands, which lie between the Philippines and Borneo.

"The question has not arisen," he said. "In 1930 we agreed to surrender the islands to the Philippines upon receipt of a year's notice. That is now being discussed in connection with the treaty of amity with the Philippines, now under negotiation."

The importance of the islands, the spokesman added, "derives from the fact that there is a lighthouse there." — United Press.

### FRENCH BANK STRIKE

Paris, June 14.

The Employees Federation—an affiliate of the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labour—announced today that it would call a strike of French Bank employees on June 18 for higher wages. The federation said the strike will be of unlimited duration.—United Press.

### AWESOME NEW WEAPON

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 14.

Mr. James Marion Snodgrass, a 39-year-old biophysicist, said in an interview here today that he was one of a group of scientists who had developed a secret Anglo-American weapon "as awesome in its effects as an atomic bomb."

Mr. Snodgrass was reluctant to discuss the weapon but said that it was not connected in any way with the atom bomb and was not yet a biological weapon.

He had no comment to make when asked whether it was for use against human beings, aircraft or sea vessels.—Reuter.

### Emergency Act In Burma

Rangoon, June 14.

The Burma Government today promulgated an Emergency Immigration Act whereunder "no person will be allowed to enter Burma without either a passport fully issued by or on behalf of the Government of Burma, or an immigration permit issued by the Controller of Immigration."

British subjects domiciled in the United Kingdom are exempted from the operation of the Act.

A press note said that the measure for the control of immigration is necessitated by the large-scale unauthorized entry of non-Burmans into Burma along the land frontier adjacent to India, China and Siam.

"Difficult conditions of living, difficulty in the maintenance of communications, law and order, and the increasing threat of unemployment make it imperative for the Government to assume emergency powers," it stated.—Reuter.

### Romantic Love Danger To Marriage

San Francisco, June 14.

A false idea of romantic love is in danger of wrecking the institution of marriage, according to a prominent sociologist. In the opinion of Dr. Margaret Mead, associate curator of ethnology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York, the dewy-eyed "April-May" feeling of a couple for each other is expected by too many to last forever.

It doesn't, she told the national conference of social work here. And when it doesn't, she said, the marriage has none of the supports of 50 or 100 years ago to prop it up.

Those supports Dr. Mead listed as:

1. Marriage within the same social groups, as it existed among relatively isolated or stable communities of years ago.

2. Identical religious patterns of the man and wife; community morality.

3. Proximity to the elders, the parents and the older members of a community.

4. Pressure of communities small enough and stable enough to enable each family's intimate life to be subject to the scrutiny of the neighbours.

"The belief that marriage should be for love, and with little regard for soberer considerations of common background, temperamental compatibility, or suitable and complementary skills and aspirations, had existed for a long time. But within the narrow circle of most Americans' acquaintance in the 19th century, the soberer considerations did operate."

Today, Dr. Mead says, this is the way modern marriage operates:

## Myth-Laden Aura

"Two young people, relying in no sense upon the advice of their parents, willing to dare any degree of difference in class, religion, nationality and sometimes racial differences in the name of love, meet in some casual manner...."

"They fasten upon each other the whole myth-laden aura of romantic love, marry without exploration of the thousand better factors which should be taken into account, go to live as far away from the surviving relatives as possible, with a fixed belief that no marriage can succeed if one has to live with relatives...."

"They bear children who are seen as a pleasure to be elected or a link to bind the marriage...."

### Ban On Wallace Asked

Washington, June 15.

The Federal District Court was asked today to bar Mr. Henry Wallace, the former United States Vice-President, who is the leading opponent of the present American foreign policy, from using the Watergate amphitheatre in Washington for his speech on Monday night.

The American Anti-Communist League brought the action in the form of a request for a restraining order against the Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Julius Krug, whose Department has jurisdiction over the amphitheatre.

Court arguments will be heard on Monday.

The League's petition cited what is termed Krug's "outright and absolute disregard for the people of the United States, in granting a permit for the use of public property by a Communist group sponsoring a speaker whose methods include human emotions towards riot and insurrection."

The motion said that the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, the organization sponsoring Mr. Wallace's speech, had been listed by the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities as among the Communist organizations.—Reuter.

## TO STUDY IN GERMANY

Berlin, June 14.

Seventy-six British students will be accepted into German Universities in the British occupation zone for study during the next winter term.

Applicants will be selected by the Foreign Office's German Section and will be judged on physical and psychological as well as academic grounds.—Associated Press.

### Pastoral Letter To Spain

Madrid, June 14.

Spain's Cardinal Primate, Enrique Pla y Danel, issued a pastoral letter today which will be read in all Catholic Churches in Spain regarding the national referendum to be held on July 6.

The Cardinal says: "The Church exercises its moral duty in recalling the grave responsibility attached to the vote but without giving advice on how to vote, leaving this to each citizen's conscience."

"The Church calls on all its faithful to follow the guidance of their consciences seeking the welfare of the Church and country which are both based on peace and social order."

"These things are the supreme necessity of nations, and they justify changes of regime while at the same time neither peace nor social order can be achieved by arbitrary and harmful rebellions against the state."

"The Church does not take sides but feels the necessity for appealing to all the faithful in moments which may be as decisive as those of 1936, because many outside Spain argue that the martyrdom of so many thousands who have died for religion and so many thousands who have died for God and for Spain was useless."—Reuter.

### Workers Criticise Mr. Bevin's Policy

London, June 15.

Delegates representing 23,000 tobacco workers at their annual meeting today criticised the Labour Government foreign policy and demanded that British troops be withdrawn from Greece immediately.

A resolution declaring that the Government's foreign policy "apparently is having the effect of assisting the forces of Fascism and reaction in Greece and other European countries," said it necessitated the "retention of men in the armed forces who could be more usefully employed in industry."

The resolution stated, "We also express ourselves opposed to any link with the United States which is directed in any way against the USSR."

There were only three dissenting votes—the meeting also requested the Government and the Trade Unions Council to insist upon the immediate release of all Trade Unionists held as political prisoners in Greece other than those charged with criminal offences.—Associated Press.

### British-P.I. Treaty Of Friendship

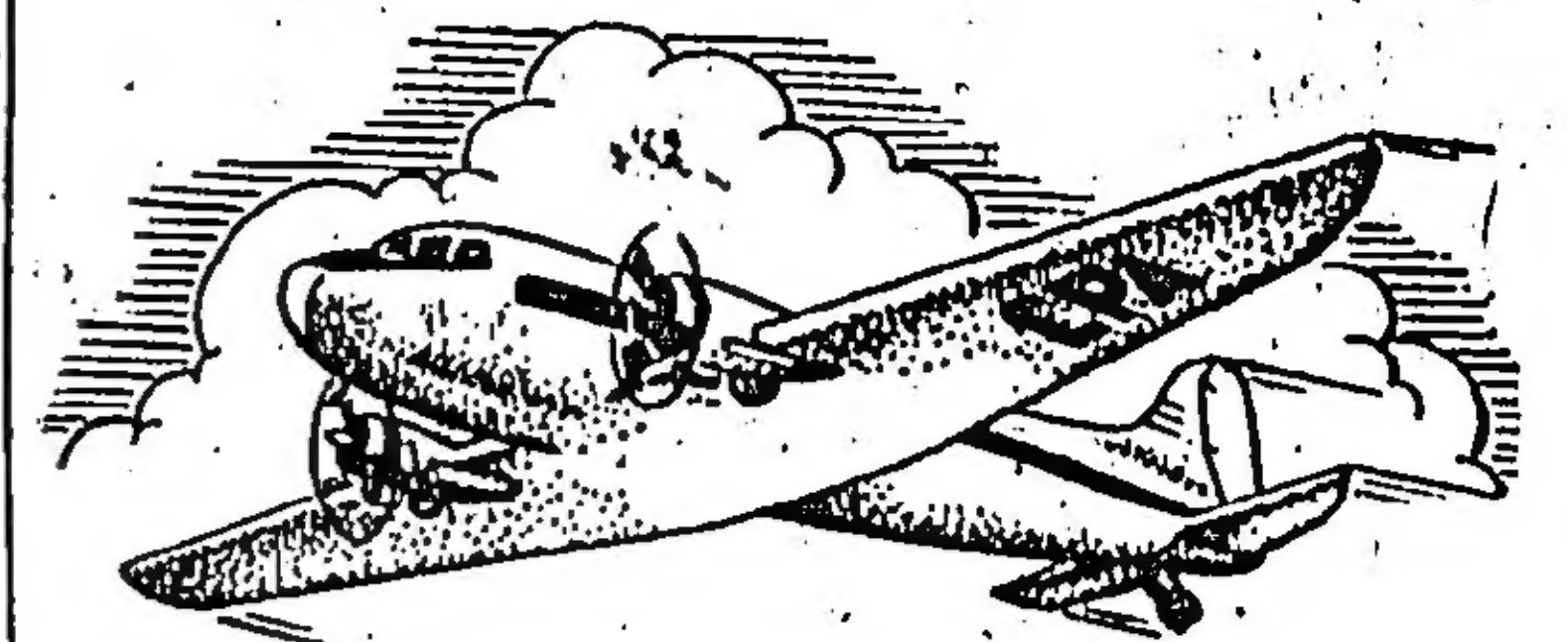
London, June 15.

Negotiations are under way for a treaty of friendship between Britain and the Philippines.

Preliminary agreement on the broad lines of the proposed pact was reached between Mr. Bevin and Mr. Quirino, President and Foreign Minister of the Philippine Republic, during his recent visit to London.

Many details still remain to be worked out, however, and negotiations are expected to last some time. Meantime the Philippine Government hopes to be able to establish a legation in London in the near future, and the British Government would then take a similar step in Manila.

The treaty, according to British official circles, will in all probability be couched in very general terms. It is not expected to be an alliance, but will provide for Anglo-Philippine cooperation in the Southwest Pacific.—Reuter.



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# GOLD BULLION EXPORTS Philippine Deliveries To London For Sale In Free Market

(By Sydney Campbell)

London, June 14.

No surprise was expressed in London today at the news that the first post-war deliveries of gold bullion produced in the Philippines, reported to be worth 600,000 Philippine Pesos (£275,000) had reached Manila for consignment in London.

It was taken for granted that this gold is to be sold through London on the world free market against dollar. Since the Philippines are regarded as a special case—because of her great rehabilitation needs and obligation which the United States Congress has recognised in that respect—this was not regarded as having any appreciable bearing on the question of a free market in gold from South Africa and other big producing countries.

No very large premium over the United States official price of US\$35 per ounce was expected to be obtained for this Philippine gold.

Mexican gold coins on the free market fetch rather less than the equivalent of US\$10 per ounce and Philippine or other gold in bar form would be worth a shade less, since operators in the Middle East, which is now the main market for free gold against dollars, prefer coins as being far more convenient than bars.

Mexican gold bars in the New York free market (for export) are worth about US\$38-1 2 to US\$39 per ounce. London, with its longer and closer bullion connections with the Middle East might be able to get slightly more than New York for Philippine gold but probably only by a matter of cents. Big prices of US\$40 to US\$41 per ounce, which have been widely published, are only in the Eastern free market, which either, as in India, cannot at present import gold at all or else cannot import it for dollars.

### Helping Industry

The British Authorities do not allow gold to be exported at higher than the official price against payment in sterling, because of the danger of the British authorities. They do not, however, object to the export of gold against payment in dollars.

The Bank of England knows nothing of the Philippine consignments but this is natural at this stage. Whether imported for safe deposits for further processing or in transit to a third country outside the sterling area, gold needs no import licence. The Bank would only hear of it when an export licence was applied for.

It has been known since February that the Philippine Government favoured free gold exports at the best obtainable price to help the rehabilitation of the Philippine gold mining industry, which at that time

## Studying Free Gold Markets

London, June 14.

It is understood that the Bretton Woods International Monetary Fund is studying the free gold markets and operation of the monetary authorities therein.

Members of the Fund undertake to sell gold only at official prices.

The Economic Committee has repeatedly been briefed, for example, Mexico habitually sells gold for export at an appreciable premium.

Certain western European central banks are suspected of operating in their own black market for gold by selling coins to reduce the premium on gold hoping to strengthen confidence in their currencies.

This practice has gained sufficient amplitude and notoriety to justify some investigation and perhaps action by the International Monetary Fund.

### Free Markets

Pre-war, the Philippines was a big gold producer to the extent of more than \$40,000,000 worth a year (equal to more than a million ounces of gold). It was claimed in February that some Philippine mines which, because of higher post-war costs, could not work economically at the official price of \$35 an ounce, could resume big production at a moderately higher price. The smaller the premium obtained on a free market, the smaller is the inducement to restore big output.

If sales of Philippine gold on the free market did begin to approach the pre-war Philippine output, the whole position would have to be reconsidered. If the free market in Philippine gold did become big—the quantity at present mentioned is still quite small—it might usefully clarify the whole question of a free gold market.

It is generally accepted that free markets are too small to absorb any substantial quantity. But an ounce of practice might be worth a ton of theory.—Reuter.

## Federal Reserve Bank Return

Washington, June 14.

Assets: Gold certificates on hand and due from U.S. Treasury \$10,070,000,000; Total Discount and advances 175,000,000; Gold Certificates reserve 19,782,000,000; Total U.S. Government securities 21,578,000,000; Total Loans and securities 21,755,000,000; Total Assets 42,254,000,000. Liabilities: Federal Reserve Notes in actual circulation 24,110,000,000; Deposit member banks reserve A/C 16,028,000,000; Total Deposits 17,413,000,000; Total Liabilities 42,254,000,000. Ratio of gold certificates reserve to deposits and Federal Reserve note liabilities combined 47.3%; Gold Stock 21,024,000,000; Money in circulation 28,253,000,000.—Reuter.

Buenos Aires, June 14. Sovereign, Bayes 50.50, Sellers 60.50; U.S. \$20 Eagle, 111.50, 112.50; Gold Bar, Gramme, 5.25, 5.30.—Reuter.

## Population Transfer In India

New Delhi, June 14.

Three representative Sikh organisations at a joint conference here on the Punjab problem today proposed the redistribution of populations involving several million Sikhs and Hindus.

Western Punjab has a Moslem majority. The Sikhs and Hindus which together make up over 11,000,000 of the Punjab's total of 28,000,000 predominate in the East. Under the British plan, members of the two parts of the Legislative Assembly, sitting separately, will decide whether or not the province should be partitioned and in the event of a decision for partition, a boundary commission will be set up.

Sikh representatives today called on the British authorities to direct the boundary commission to "make recommendations for the transfer of Hindu and Sikh populations and property from the western part of the Punjab to the eastern part after partition has been effected."

Disapproval of the partition plan, which is widespread in Lahore, is apparently increasing with wider appreciation of the extent of the shock likely to result to the province's economy.

Political circles in Lahore indicate that high-ranking members of all parties have privately expressed their willingness to preserve the unity of the province by a compromise but under the British plan, partition can only be averted by including the whole of the Punjab in either Pakistan or Hindustan.

The Moslem and Hindu divisions of the Legislative Assembly are meeting separately at Lahore on June 23 to decide for or against partition.—Reuter.

### Gandhi's Plea

New Delhi, June 14. Mr. M. K. Gandhi in a 40-minute address to the All-India Congress Committee tonight, added his powerful plea for acceptance of the British plan for the transfer of power to India. This, with speeches from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Vice-President of the Indian Interim Government, and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Home Member, should it be thought, secure almost full consent of the Congress "Parliament" to the plan. Mr. Gandhi has hitherto stood out strongly against partition. His approval tonight was by no means unqualified.—The British Government.

## BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

London, June 14.

Banking Department: Public £7,300,000; Bankers Deposits 295,800,000; Other Accounts 93,000,000; Government Securities 324,800,000; Discount and Advances 16,400,000; Securities 17,200,000; Notes and gold and silver coins 56,200,000. Issue Department: Note circulation 1,395,500,000; Total Bullion 1,672,000,000; Proportion (percentage of notes and gold and silver coin held against deposit) 14.1.—Reuter.

## FRENCH BANK RETURN

Paris, June 14.

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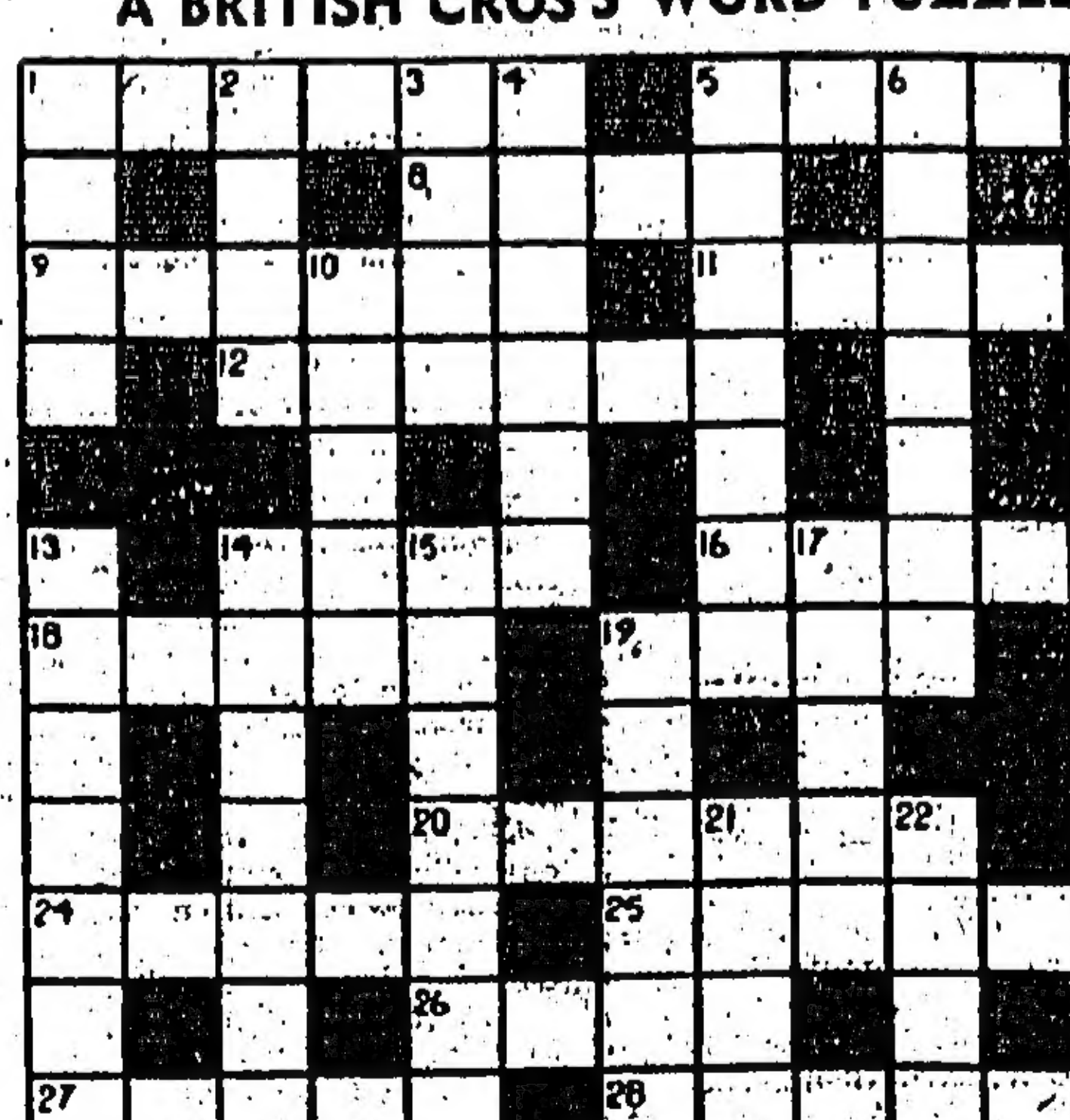
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Tel. Nos. 20001-3**BRITISH SPORT HAS HIT BOTTOM THIS MONTH**

(From Vernon Morgan, Reuters Sports Editor).

London June 15.  
 British sport hit the bottom this month when French horses won the Derby and the Oaks, an unranked American boxer knocked out the British light-heavyweight champion, Britain lost another golf trophy—the Women's Championship—to the United States, and received virtual defeat at her own game of cricket in the Test Match against South Africa.

Earlier in the year an Irish horse had run away with the Grand National, American golfers had won the Walker Cup, South Africa had eliminated Great Britain from the Davis Cup, and in another of England's "own games"—Soccer—she had suffered defeat at the hands of Switzerland.

This string of defeats has become a general topic of conversation even among those who are not very sports-minded.

There are those who take the whole matter very seriously, who think that it is time we gave up sports against rival nations which are always beating us because the prestige of the whole nation is being lowered in the eyes of the world, who think the day of defeats must be considered over and that we should go into training for the time when we can feel reasonably confident of success.

Others say may the day never come when we care whether we win or lose; that we should never allow anything to spoil the old British motto of "the game's the thing." And there are those who deprecate strongly attempts to make defeat at sports a national disaster.

**Serious Pitch**

The two parties are diametrically opposed and there is much argument in pubs and clubs, wherever the public congregates, as to what attitude is the better to adopt.

One hears on all sides such remarks as: "At any rate we can still win the Boat Race," said with much sarcasm about this all-British event between England's two big universities, Oxford and Cambridge.

One even hears clergymen in trams, murmuring: "I wonder what will happen next." They might be talking about serious national trouble, but one clergyman was found to be referring to England's batsmen being skittled out by the South Africans.

People are asking themselves quite seriously should they bother about these heavy sporting defeats or should they take them philosophically with a shrug of the shoulders. Let us examine both sides of this problem, which has reached a quite serious pitch.

Extremes are bad at anything, and the majority of British sportsmen, while greatly disappointed that they cannot do better, feel that the real answer is to try and discover the reasons for this bad sports slump and try to improve matters so that they can prove this setback is only temporary.

Revival Will Come  
 No one likes being beaten. No one likes taking a back seat every time, and world sportsmen can take notice that there will come a day when British revival.

It will come when three things happen.  
 Firstly, when British athletes realise that hard, dreary, assiduous practice is the way to fame and that the path, far from being rosy, is packed with thorns and uphill climbs. Today, most British athletes are not prepared to make those sacrifices for sport that their ancestors did and which are essential to success.

Secondly, when sportsmen get the necessary food and opportunities to get themselves as fit as they would like to.

Thirdly, when the new generation has had time to become efficient, for at the present British prestige has inevitably to be upheld by men who, if not in the veteran class, are past their prime. Because of the eight-year gap of the war they are carrying on until younger men can take over.

One might add that a revival will not come until Britons learn the lessons of defeat, but one can truthfully say that in many cases the lessons have been

**TERRORISTS IN MACAO**

Macao, June 15.

A number of threatening letters have been distributed to wealthy residents here, demanding various sums of money.

The letters are similar in nature to those sent out in Hong Kong recently by the so-called "Overseas Youth Movement." No incidents have yet occurred.—United Press.

**Greek Brides Arrive**

Liverpool, June 14.

More than 100 Greek brides of British soldiers arrived at Liverpool today aboard the troopship "Empress of Australia," the largest contingent to come from Piraeus in one ship.

Corporal Albert Armstrong, of West Derby, Liverpool, was waiting to meet the 25-year-old girl whom he married seven months ago in Athens.

The youngest bride was 19-year-old Mrs. Christine Oldham, who was joining her husband Corporal Charles Oldham at Higher Trammere, Birkenhead. They were also married in Athens last October.

Mrs. Mary Wood who is going to Kensington, Liverpool, had to leave her husband Sapper Edward Wood of the Royal Engineers, behind at Port Said, because his service abroad does not end till July.—Reuter.

**MIDDLE EAST'S IMPORTANCE**

London, June 15.

Britain cannot afford to be shut out of the Middle East in the way she has been shut out of Rumania and Eastern Germany, said Mr. Christopher Holmes, Director of Information Services in the Royal Institute of International Affairs, when he broadcast tonight in the House of Commons.

He said that the chief reason for Britain's present difficulties in Egypt was the opinion in Egypt today that Britain was no longer a great Power.—Reuter.

**ANGLO-CZECH AGREEMENT**

London, June 14.

The Czech Minister of Education, Dr. Stransky, arrived in Britain from Prague by air tonight to sign a cultural agreement between Czechoslovakia and Britain.

He was met at London Airport by officials of the British Foreign Office and the Czech Embassy.—Reuter.

In Moscow, judging from the remarks made by one of the leading sports officials, Colonel General Gromov, who declared that he, for his part, would do everything to effect the entry of the Soviet into the IAAF, which would make her eligible to compete in the Olympics.—Reuter.

**Italy Peace Pact To Be Altered?**

Washington, June 14.

President Truman today expressed his belief that the terms of the Italian peace treaty could be altered in future through the action of the United Nations "as may be required."

In a statement issued when he signed the ratification of the Italian peace treaty and the peace treaties with Hungary, Rumania, and Bulgaria, the President declared that certain terms of the treaty with Italy "are not in full accord with our desires" and stated that "within the framework of the United Nations, it should be possible to secure such changes in the treaty clauses as

may be required in the light of future experience."

President Truman added: "With the ratification of the treaty of peace with Italy, we bring to a close an unhappy chapter in Italian-American relations. At the same time, we mark the beginning of a new era for Italy to which the Italian people can look with hope and confidence."

The President paid a warm tribute to the contribution of the Italian armed forces and the Italian people to the ultimate victory over Fascism and Nazism. "The common sacrifice has strengthened a deep and lasting friendship between our two peoples."

More than this, Americans have the satisfaction of standing at the side of Italy while her people, through adversity, are rebuilding with their own labour a new democracy and restoring their lost freedoms.

President Truman gave a pledge that the American people would continue to stand side by side with the Italians. "The statement made no reference to the other three treaties signed at the same time.—Reuter.

**Bevin To Visit Bidault**

London, June 14.

The Foreign Office tonight made the following announcement on the visit of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, to Paris early next week to discuss with M. Paul Ramadier, French Premier, and M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, the American plan for European economic recovery.

"The Foreign Secretary intends to visit Paris early this coming week in order to discuss personally with the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of France the new American approach to Europe."

"The British Government is especially mindful of the part which France can play in the economic reconstruction of Europe and has decided to take the initiative in exploring with her in the first instance the best means of following up the American plan."—Reuter.

**Britain Quitting Italy**

Rome, June 14.

The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Sforza, and the British Ambassador, Sir Noel Charles, today signed an agreement covering technical details of withdrawal of an estimated 35,000 British troops from Italy within 90 days after the peace treaty takes effect.

Sir Noel Charles said, "I am sure that you feel as I do that the conclusion of these arrangements, technical though they are, marks another step toward restoration of the old friendly and close relations between our two countries."

Sforza said the spirit showed a return of the "entente" between Italy and Great Britain which was a guarantee of peace in Europe and progress of civilization.—United Press.

**SIGNIFICANT VISIT**

London, June 14.

An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Vienna reported today that a special commission of the Soviet Security Services under the leadership of the Soviet expert, M. Reumennann, is now visiting Balkan capitals to discuss with the security authorities "experiences and measures which will apply in the common fight against reactionary intrigues."

"The visit of the commission is regarded as significant in view of the present tense situation in south east European states and efforts made in these countries to carry out political purges"—United Press.

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